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CROCKETT, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1896.

WASHINGTON TOPICS.

SOME QUESTIONS TO RECEIVE ATTENTION.

The Cuban Bill... The Senate Will Talk Monroe Doctrine... Whether Matters.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The house will devote the coming week to appropriations unless a motion is made to revoke the Cuban bill...

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Two opposing phases of the Monroe doctrine were presented in the senate yesterday...

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The house committee on public lands yesterday agreed to report a bill for the continuation of all cash claims for public lands...

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The bill for the reorganization of the federal judiciary was passed by the house yesterday...

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The senate finance committee has a brief meeting tomorrow...

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The senate committee on foreign relations yesterday reported a bill...

ROW IN A ROAD HOUSE

FIVE YOUNG SPORTS RAISE A DISTURBANCE.

Frank Chanvey's nose almost torn out as he was hit by a brick in a road house...

POINT WATKINS, Ind., Jan. 20.—Yesterday morning about 9 o'clock five Fort Wayne sports...

Campus Demolished. A special from Key West, Fla. says according to private advices from Havana...

Congressman McMillin Talks. Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 21.—Congressman McMillin reached the city last night...

Indian Legislation. WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Legislation for the five civilized tribes of Indians of the Indian Territory...

Minister Killed. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 21.—A special from Montgomery, Ala. says that a man named Dixson...

Admitted for a Wife. HENNESSEY, Ok., January 18.—The marriage of John Campbell of Blaine county to Miss Isabel Hagaman...

Arrested for Assault. FAIRMOUNT, Va., Jan. 20.—A negro, who is supposed to be the assailant of banker Withers...

Brazil Has a Grievance. BREKON AVES, Jan. 21.—A dispatch to La Presse from Rio de Janeiro says that...

Democratic National Convention. WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The democratic national convention will be held in the city of Chicago on July 7...

Slain by an Engine. NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—A light engine ran into a crowd of dealers who were walking on the track...

ACCIDENTAL KILLING.

JOHN MAY KILLS HIS BROTHER, CHARLEY.

Arrest of W. O. Richardson of Waco Causes Quite a Sensation—Charged With Obtaining Money From a Bank Under False Pretenses.

BARTLET, Tex., Jan. 20.—Saturday afternoon, about four miles from Bartlett, three brothers, John, Charley and Walter May...

Struck by a Train. GALVESTON, Tex., Jan. 18.—Yesterday morning the Missouri, Kansas and Texas passenger train No. 9...

Suicide of a Woman. TENNESSEE, Jan. 18.—Mrs. J. D. Dashiell, whose husband is an employe at the Texas Midland offices...

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 17.—Yesterday morning Mrs. Lucy Clemmens committed suicide at the Cottage hotel in this city...

WAKAHACH, Tex., Jan. 21.—The jury in the W. F. Wilson case brought in a verdict at 2:30 yesterday afternoon, giving W. F. Wilson thirty years in the penitentiary...

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 21.—This city was treated to a visit from professional burglars last night...

St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 15.—A terrible tragedy was reported here last night. On a farm six miles from Maryville lived Joseph Hilderbrand...

Resignation Accepted. MADRID, Jan. 18.—The cabinet has unanimously refused to accept the resignation of Captain General Ardisuain...

MONROE DOCTRINE.

ITS POLITICAL AND COMMERCIAL SIGNIFICANCE.

The Building of the Nicaragua Canal Will Give to Trans-Mississippi Gulf Ports the Business of Exporting the Products of the West.

Globe Democrat, St. Louis, Mo. The reception of the President's message demonstrated that the American people are zealous of the Monroe doctrine...

A writer in the December number of the North American Review says: "We all know that the development and expansion of nationalities follow the lines of least resistance and are governed by inflexible natural laws..."

Steele Bros., druggists and stationers, doing business at Brookston, Lamar county, filed assignment papers a few days ago...

St. Louis, Jan. 21.—Wm. Smith, a saddler at Beville, Mo., has been in business there about fifteen years...

St. Paul, Jan. 21.—The following postmasters have just been appointed: J. R. Montgomery, Parnelia, Coler, vice Hall...

St. Paul, Jan. 21.—The Texas Cattle Men's Convention at San Antonio was well attended. Much was accomplished looking to furthering the stock interests...

St. Paul, Jan. 21.—At Bowie, Montague county, property is looking up and considerable improvement is going on of a substantial nature...

"I Don't Read Anything."

Henderson Times. That any white man living in a civilized community is prepared to make the above statement is astonishing. But such is the case.

During the last few months we have heard dozens of men, living in this county, men with families, assert that they read nothing. Some of them will tell you that they do not have time to read. And they believe it.

The question was asked the other day by an intelligent farmer: "What methods can we adopt to get the people to read?" He said that his home would be dreary without literature. He said: "I take two or three papers for my wife and girls, and the boys and myself can not get along without something on agriculture and politics. But," said he, "I know families in my community who don't read a thing. And I notice particularly that those people are not only the most ignorant, but hard times and general evidences of poverty are most conspicuous about their homes."

But," said the writer, "those very people will tell you that they don't have time to read."

"Yes," he continued, "but they have more time than anything else. And to prove it to you I will point you to the farmers in this county who read and those who don't. Go to your tax rolls and you will find that those fellows who do not have time to read pay very little taxes. They contribute nothing to schools, nothing to churches, nothing to any of the demands of enlightened society. Why? Because they have nothing to contribute. They are poor and hard-run, and their children are objects of pity. No, they have no time to read, no time to work, no time to think, no time to improve their children. They have plenty of time, however, to prow around the neighborhood and enjoy all the neighborhood excitement that is going on. Being away from home often, at places of questionable propriety, they have time to attend court several weeks in the year, as principals or witnesses. These persons are often under bond and their poor, half-worked crops are under mortgage. Beware of the man who tells you that he has no time to read."

A Decaying Party. The efforts of Dallas and some other towns to secure the National populist convention indicate very clearly to a surprised public that the populists intend holding a National convention somewhere. It is more than likely that the party can muster a very good crowd for a convention and have a fine time, but for political purposes the time will be badly wasted.

If the party had not run its course before, this last strident open to the republicans in the senate, and boldfaced and notorious, in direct discredit of all the tenets of populist faith, and by which the populist senators practically endorse the republican rather than the democratic party, would kill it in the South. It has already lost Kansas, one of its strongholds in the North; it has repudiated the populist doctrine; the Dakotas have grown frigid towards it once more, and the cause is a "lost cause" in every section of the country where it was strong two or three years ago.

The Texas contingent of the party, recruited from the democracy, has not yet been properly apprised of this disgraceful dike in the senate with the republicans. It was a complete falsification of the entire populist pretensions. It was an absolute desertion by the populist senators of their party, and if the party endorses the action it is a merger of populism into republicanism. It either cuts the party's head off, or it means that the republicans have "greased" the leaders with a little patronage and swallowed the party.

A national convention may be interesting as the council of a forum hope, but that it will seriously affect politics this year is by no means probable. The democratic soreheads in Texas and the "split-ter" are about the only men in this section who profess to believe that the people's party is still strong enough to affect results, outside of the populist camps themselves.

No Extravagance. "I see the charge frequently made in the press of the state," said a gentleman yesterday, "that the state government under democratic ruling is being run too extravagantly. In this connection I will say in defense of the present administration that the government now is being run much more economically than ever before. I am no ardent political admirer of the present official family, but I do them but simple justice in saying that they are managing the affairs of state very economically. I believe that all the state asylums are being run more economically than previously, and I know the general land office is. State Superintendent of Public Grounds Mobley is also covering himself with glory as an economist and I believe that he will have a balance at the end of the two years to his credit. All the various departments are also being conducted very economically, and while there will necessarily be a deficit in the fee department, I think that will be comparatively small. I understand the populists are going to wave the flag of extravagance during the coming campaign. I am prepared to say that in case they do, facts and figures will show them that they are falsifiers."

Sea Island Cotton. I have recently had some correspondence with H. D. Taylor & Sons of Houston, through Mr. Julian Robertson, formerly of this place, in regard to sea island cotton. My information, condensed in as few words as possible, is:

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2. That the plant is more hardy, the cultivation the same, and the yield equal to the short staple.
3. That the extra care used in picking increases the cost to about \$1. per hundred.
4. That it must be ginned on a roller gin and packed in smaller better protected bales—thus increasing the cost of ginning to \$1. per hundred, lint.
5. That seed can be had for about \$2 (perhaps less) per bushel.

I have a sample of the cotton grown in Montgomery county, Texas, now at my office; also a few (about what would be contained in one boll) seed with the lint on them, both of which I will glad to show any one interested. Now, of course the cultivation of the long staple cotton here would be somewhat of an experiment, but it seems to me that if the planters in this vicinity would plant say from five to twenty acres each, or enough of them to make in the aggregate say 300 acres, that it would be an exceedingly thorough test of the practicability of its cultivation. This plan would submit it to the test of various evils, as well as methods of cultivation, and at the same time partial success, or even complete failure, would injure no one seriously; while, if the result should prove satisfactory, it would be quite an addition to the resources of our farmers. If there is anything good going I think we need it.

It seems to me that small farmers who pick and handle their own cotton should be particularly interested in this cotton, as their care in picking and handling would meet with a good return. Our gin men say that if the cotton is raised they will be prepared to gin it. I do not plant cotton at all, but if sufficient interest is manifested I will plant five acres, to help out the experiment. This is put forth as a feeler only. If it elicits no inquiry the matter will drop with this; but I would be glad to show the cotton and some further correspondence and information to any one interested.

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HOUSTON COUNTY

INDUCEMENTS

HOUSTON COUNTY is situated in Eastern Texas, in latitude 31 1-2 degrees North; longitude 95 1-2 degrees West; 113 miles North of Houston and 163 miles North of Galveston. The county is bounded on the East by the Neches and on the West by the Trinity river. The county is one of the oldest and largest in the State, embracing an area of 680,000 acres of land. The population is 25,000. Of this number 17,000 are white and 8,000 colored; foreign born less than 1,000. Debt and tax rate are very small. The bonded debt of the county is being rapidly liquidated.

RAILROADS. The Great Northern branch of the International & Great Northern runs North and South through the center of the county; the Trinity Southeastern (Cotton Belt) near the Eastern boundary and the Trinity, Cameron & Western is projected through the Southwestern part. Two other roads are chartered through the county, and are being surveyed and partly constructed. The county is well supplied with transportation facilities and will be unsurpassed by any in the state when the new roads are built, as they will be before a great while.

SCHOOLS. Houston County has the best system of public free schools in the State of Texas. The city free schools of Crockett run nine months and the county free schools six months in the year. The county has a school fund of \$70,000 in her own right, which draws an annual income of \$5,000. This, together with \$25,000 furnished by the state, makes an available school fund for the county of \$95,000 a year. School houses are commodious and fitted with patent, first class school furnishings.

CHURCHES. All churches are represented and the different denominations have facilities equal, if not superior, to those enjoyed in the old states.

WATER. The county is plentifully supplied with water for all purposes. An abundance of good water can be secured in any part of the county. At short distances there are never-falling streams of pure water, which furnish power sufficient for manufacturing purposes. No county in the state can boast of as many such streams.

SOILS. We have the greatest variety of soils, adapted to the cultivation of all farm products grown in the temperate zone. There are the black waxy, the black loam, the stiff black sandy, the gray sandy, red, chocolate, alluvial and scores of other kinds. Nine tenths of the area of the county was originally timbered. Nearly one-tenth of it is prairie land of the best quality, and is easily cultivated with all the improved agricultural implements. Of the land in the county, about 100,000 acres are in cultivation, and the balance of 580,000 acres is virgin prairie and forest.

TIMBER. The timber in Houston county is of all kinds and in almost unlimited supplies. There are magnificent forests of long leaf and short-leaf pine, red oak, white oak, post oak, hickory, cypress, ash, walnut and gum. There are also in fine supply: holly, beech, maple, sassafras, cherry, and magnolia. As an evidence of the fine timber, we cite the fact that at the "Spring Palace" in Fort Worth, Houston county was awarded the first prize gold medal for the best timber exhibit. A furniture factory, or any other using hard wood, would do well here. Pine lumber can be had at 86 to 88 per 1000 feet.

FRUIT. The soil of Houston county is unsurpassed in its adaptability to fruit culture. Apples, peaches, pears, figs, plums, apricots and grapes yield enormous crops. In this business there is a chance for fortunes to be made, as early fruits and berries can be matured and shipped to the northern markets before competition from other sections affects the market price. Strawberries, blackberries, dewberries and others are grown without trouble.

STAPLE PRODUCTS

The yield of cotton in this county averages one-half a bale per acre; corn twenty to thirty bushels; sweet and Irish potatoes two to four hundred bushels and ribbon cane produces from two to four hundred gallons of the very best syrup. Melons of all kinds, peas, beans, pumpkins, tomatoes, squashes, onions, beets, radishes, cabbage and all other garden vegetables grown in the greatest abundance. The soil in portions of the county is particularly adapted to tobacco culture and there are thousands of acres that will produce the very best quality of tobacco grown. We have recently tried the GENUINE HAVANA tobacco and find that, when the farmer has the proper knowledge of curing same, the yield is from \$300 to \$400 per acre, our Havana tobacco bringing forty to fifty cts. per pound in the New York market.

In 1894 Houston County produced 30,000 bales of cotton, 900,000 bushels of corn, more first class ribbon-cane syrup than could be used at home, and enough meat for home use. Besides these crops, oats, sorghum, peas, hay and peanuts enough to fatten all stock on hand through the winter.

HOUSTON COUNTY is situated in Eastern Texas, in latitude 31 1-2 degrees North; longitude 95 1-2 degrees West; 113 miles North of Houston and 163 miles North of Galveston. The county is bounded on the East by the Neches and on the West by the Trinity river. The county is one of the oldest and largest in the State, embracing an area of 680,000 acres of land. The population is 25,000. Of this number 17,000 are white and 8,000 colored; foreign born less than 1,000. Debt and tax rate are very small. The bonded debt of the county is being rapidly liquidated.

RAILROADS. The Great Northern branch of the International & Great Northern runs North and South through the center of the county; the Trinity Southeastern (Cotton Belt) near the Eastern boundary and the Trinity, Cameron & Western is projected through the Southwestern part. Two other roads are chartered through the county, and are being surveyed and partly constructed. The county is well supplied with transportation facilities and will be unsurpassed by any in the state when the new roads are built, as they will be before a great while.

SCHOOLS. Houston County has the best system of public free schools in the State of Texas. The city free schools of Crockett run nine months and the county free schools six months in the year. The county has a school fund of \$70,000 in her own right, which draws an annual income of \$5,000. This, together with \$25,000 furnished by the state, makes an available school fund for the county of \$95,000 a year. School houses are commodious and fitted with patent, first class school furnishings.

CHURCHES. All churches are represented and the different denominations have facilities equal, if not superior, to those enjoyed in the old states.

WATER. The county is plentifully supplied with water for all purposes. An abundance of good water can be secured in any part of the county. At short distances there are never-falling streams of pure water, which furnish power sufficient for manufacturing purposes. No county in the state can boast of as many such streams.

SOILS. We have the greatest variety of soils, adapted to the cultivation of all farm products grown in the temperate zone. There are the black waxy, the black loam, the stiff black sandy, the gray sandy, red, chocolate, alluvial and scores of other kinds. Nine tenths of the area of the county was originally timbered. Nearly one-tenth of it is prairie land of the best quality, and is easily cultivated with all the improved agricultural implements. Of the land in the county, about 100,000 acres are in cultivation, and the balance of 580,000 acres is virgin prairie and forest.

TIMBER. The timber in Houston county is of all kinds and in almost unlimited supplies. There are magnificent forests of long leaf and short-leaf pine, red oak, white oak, post oak, hickory, cypress, ash, walnut and gum. There are also in fine supply: holly, beech, maple, sassafras, cherry, and magnolia. As an evidence of the fine timber, we cite the fact that at the "Spring Palace" in Fort Worth, Houston county was awarded the first prize gold medal for the best timber exhibit. A furniture factory, or any other using hard wood, would do well here. Pine lumber can be had at 86 to 88 per 1000 feet.

FRUIT. The soil of Houston county is unsurpassed in its adaptability to fruit culture. Apples, peaches, pears, figs, plums, apricots and grapes yield enormous crops. In this business there is a chance for fortunes to be made, as early fruits and berries can be matured and shipped to the northern markets before competition from other sections affects the market price. Strawberries, blackberries, dewberries and others are grown without trouble.

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs. I. J. Hart, of Lovelady, was in town Tuesday. Miss Mary Wootters is visiting in Huntsville. County court meets the 3rd of February. E. A. Williams of Creek, called to see us this week. N. J. Mainer, of Lovelady was a visitor to the city Tuesday. If you want a saddle made to perfection go to J. T. Dawes. Family orders solicited for oysters, bread etc., at New Restaurant. J. B. FIFER, Manager. J. T. Dawes has the best and cheapest whips in town. The finest line of harness you ever saw from \$6.50 up, at J. T. Dawes. Eat at New Restaurant. Best meals in city, 25cts. J. B. FIFER, Manager. It will pay you to call on J. T. Dawes for collars, hames, chains, etc. Board by day, week or month at New Restaurant, only first-class one in city. J. B. FIFER, Manager. Rev. D. M. Stovall of Calvert, is in the city and gave the COURIER a call. After more than a week's illness Rev. W. M. Gaddy is again able to be out. I. A. Daniel has sold the brick yard lots near the depot, to Lewis Davis. Horace Hall entertained a few of his friends Friday evening at his home near town. The editor has been confined for more than a week to his bed with another malarial attack. Quarterly Conference at Methodist church next Saturday, preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Mrs. Della Eastham of Huntsville is in the city visiting Mrs. J. C. Wootters. D. A. Nunn, Jr., Robert Nunn, Joe Adams and John L. Moore attended court at Lovelady, Monday. Miss Mary Nagle, after a pleasant visit at the home of her brother, N. J. Nagle in this city, has returned to her home in Austin. Bryant Wilson is back in Crockett, after a month's absence at his old home in Mississippi. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wootters have returned from Galveston where they were visiting at the home of John Goggan. Mr. and Mrs. Claud Parnell, of Grapeland, were in Crockett Sunday, visiting Mr. Sam Goldberg, at Coll Aldrich's boarding house. This week Major J. J. Wheadon retired from the management of the Capitol hotel in this city and Mr. I. Cose has leased the property and will conduct it hereafter. Miss Hortense Craig of Dallas, niece of Postmaster Edmiston of this city, is spending the winter in Crockett. An arc electric light now helps to illuminate the north-east corner of the square in front of the Pickwick hotel. E. W. Mason has returned to Crockett after a visit to his former home in Mississippi. His brother, John Mason, from Temple is here with him. Bryant Ruffin, an old colored man of good character who had lived in Crockett for many years, died last Sunday and was buried the following day. Governor Culberson passed through the city Wednesday morning, en route from Rusk to Huntsville. He was on an inspecting tour of the state penitentiaries. Mr. J. T. Sharp and Miss Ella Nelson were married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. C. C. O. Nelson, 13 miles west of Crockett, on Wednesday evening, Rev. Ed. Lediker officiating.

CASH! CASH! CASH! DO NOT FORGET TO CALL AND PRICE. Just arrived in Car Lots. 2 Cars Liverpool Salt, Fine and Coarse. 2 Cars Hay, Alfalfa and Forney. Car best TEXAS Bran Car Texas Red Rust Proof Oats and Car of Fresh Flour. Our Clothing and Shoe Stocks are Complete. We invite your inspection before buying. R. M. ATKINSON.

No Work for the Recorder. City Recorder Pritchard who sits in judgment on all municipal offenders and who has been an observant citizen of Crockett for forty years, save the war period of four years when he was soldiering in Virginia, says that he never knew Crockett to be so peaceable and law abiding before as during these opening weeks of '96. There is no ruffianism of any kind; the "bad man" is conspicuous by his absence, and only a case of mild inebriation now and then in which no harm is done except to the conscience and constitution of the inebriated, ripples the smooth surface of the city's orderly status. In the matter of a law-abiding population Crockett fears no comparison with any town in Texas or any other state; and, with respect for law and order and recognition of mutual rights and obligations firmly fixed in the minds of people of all classes, there is no tolerance of toughs and bullies whose very presence in a community carries an evil influence with it. The business and professional men of Crockett—those who mould public sentiment and conduct by example as well as precept, have given a direction to the city's life and action that has carried it safely beyond the period of provincial swagger and ruffianism, and hence the death of local criminal news in the columns of the COURIER. There was considerable excitement and war talk in the city last Monday when the Houston Post arrived, containing a highly sensational dispatch from Florida to the effect that the authorities at Washington had instructed the governor of that state to mobilize his militia at once to fight England to keep her from swallowing Cuba on the sly, and that he was doing so. The dispatch looked suspicious, but it aroused the war fever and the British lion's tail got a tramping in Crockett that night that would have made the old beast roar again if he had only known it. But the dispatch was a fake, and Crockett is once more on a peace footing. The Post, of course, was not responsible for the fake, but if its author in Florida could be fed to the British lion there would be no demand from this country for damages. Not everybody knows that shipping choice varieties of timber to Europe from the splendid forests around Crockett is one of the industries of Houston county. O. D. Faubion who until recently was a citizen of Crockett, and now lives in Velasco, has been engaged in this business for several years past, and this week several flat cars loaded with enormous ash and walnut logs, left for Galveston from where they will be shipped across the ocean to Antwerp. They are used in Germany for the manufacture of fine furniture. One of these logs is a sufficient load for six strong oxen to haul into Crockett from the surrounding country. The oil mill was closed down last Saturday because the three large tanks, each holding 7000 gallons, were full and there was no more storage room for the oil. It was expected that more tanks would be received the latter part of this week, after which the mill will start up again and run for eight or ten days more. That will end its operations for the season. If the cotton crop had been an average one there would have been seed enough to have kept the mill running until April. On Thursday night of last week at the K. of P. hall, the following officers of Davy Crockett lodge, No. 193, K. of P., who had been previously elected, were formally installed: Joe Adams, C. C.; Jim Brown, M. W.; R. Cassidy, V. C.; John Baker, P.; Arch Baker, K. R. and S.; J. E. Ellis, M. A.; W. A. R. French, M. F.; C. W. Moore, M. E.; Arch Burton, I. G.; J. T. Dawes, O. G.; R. D. King, Trustee. It was discovered last week that counterfeit money, both coin and paper, had been put in circulation in Crockett by unknown parties, but the officers have not yet been able to discover the perpetrators of the crime. A \$20 counterfeit bill was passed on one man, and several poorly executed counterfeits of silver dollars were passed on others. One day this week an unknown young man attempted to sell a horse, saddle and bridle here for such a small sum that suspicion was aroused as to his title to the property. This scared him, and he promptly disappeared, leaving the horse here. The sheriff now has the latter and would like to know who its owner is. Several veterans of Hood's famous Texas brigade, now living in this city, announce their purpose to attend the great reunion of confederate veterans in Richmond, Virginia, next spring when the corner stone of the Jeff Davis monument will be laid.

Impressions of a Stranger. Six years have elapsed since the writer got his first impression of Crockett. It was then an enterprising town, but having revisited your town recently I was so impressed with the phenomenal growth of the thriving little city that I feel constrained to express my admiration through the columns of the COURIER. During the interval mentioned I have visited almost every section of this great state from the Palo Duro Canon of the Panhandle to the temperance town of Texarkana to the remotest cañon region of the lower Rio Grande, from Red River to the Island of La Fite, and while I have seen evidences of prosperity in many places, in no place have I seen in proportion to its population so much substantial improvement and material growth as I find at Crockett. Within the period mentioned there have been twenty-seven brick business houses built, some of which are two and three stories high. I was especially impressed by the solid brick block of nine stores that arose Phoenix like from the ashes of a recent fire. The First National Bank of Crockett began its existence within that period, and now it does more business than any like institution of its capital that I know of in the state. The cashier told me the bank had more depositors now than ever before, and that many of them were farmers who never deposited in a bank before. This indicates prosperity not alone in Crockett but all over Houston county. An excellent three story brick school building costing, I am told, \$12,000 has been erected and would be a credit to any interior town. An oil mill is a necessary appendage to every first class cotton town. The \$300,000 plant in Crockett, under its present splendid management, is doing much to build up the country. The people can not well overestimate the benefits of a good oil mill. Yet I am told some people will sell their seed to foreign mills in preference to the Crockett mill at the same price. This suicidal policy is against every principle of common horse sense. The farmers in many sections would give their loyal and undivided support. The electric lights that dispel the gloom of your streets and shine from the glass fronts and show windows of your stores proclaim an up to date city. I have tried your hotels and find them modern in all their appointments and the service is unsurpassed any where in the interior. In your sister city of Palestine a corporation has established shops that insure prosperity while they last. Huntsville, another flourishing sister on the south, has the penitentiary and the Normal Institute, that will enrich her people until the state government changes its policy. Neither state nor corporation has done anything for Crockett, yet nature has encircled her with such environments that she has no reason to envy any of her rivals. In a region of unexcelled fertility, where, compared with its possibilities, agriculture is in its infancy, the prosperity of your town like that of the farmers who support it, is anchored to the earth, and can never be shaken by the policy of state, or the cupidiv of corporations. When I view your forests of pine and hard woods, and survey with my eyes the vast areas of alluvial soil, the cheapness and quality of your building materials, I would say your resources are boundless. Resources alone, however, never build a town. The pluck of your citizens who showed their faith by their investments, has done most to build Crockett. Another important factor in your material prosperity is the Crockett COURIER. I have read this courageous sheet in distant towns, and every issue I have ever seen contained an eloquent appeal for the improvement of Crockett and Houston county or a merciless arraignment of the sore-heads and moss-backs who try to arrest the wheel of progress. You can't estimate the value of a progressive paper, whose editor has the courage of his convictions, in building up a community. When these bottoms are reclaimed from the wilderness and a bridge built across the Trinity, Crockett will get twenty five thousand bales of cotton annually, and be the first city in East Texas. L. D. M. Craddock having succeeded Messrs. Crook & Arledge in the Fire Insurance business, will take charge of the entire renewals on their books. Mr. Craddock is an experienced insurance man and expects to give the work his entire time and attention. J. W. WILLIAMS, Pres't

SMITH & FRENCH. DRUGGISTS. Why suffer with Coughs, Colds and LaGrippe when LAXATIVE BRONCHO QUININE will cure you in one day. Does not produce the ringing in the head like Sulphate of Quinine. Put up in tablets convenient for taking. Guaranteed to cure, or money refunded. Price 25cts. For sale by Smith & French. E. E. PARKER of Lovelady has opened a first-class SMITH and WOOD SHOP in Crockett on Post Office Street. He will do all kinds of SMITH and WOOD work under guaranty. All kinds of REPAIR WORK done on buggies, wagons etc., and at very reasonable figures. Horses shod with Steel shoes, all round, for \$1.00. Give him a trial. Shop in front of Post Office. Some time ago Mr. Simon Goldbaum of San Luis Rey, Cal., was troubled with a lame back and rheumatism. He used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and a prompt cure was effected. He says he has since advised many of his friends to try it and all who have done so have spoken highly of it. It is for sale by B. F. Chamberlain, Druggist. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of bad colds. It opens the secretions, relieves the lungs and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. If freely used as soon as the cold has been contracted, and before it has become settled in the system, it greatly lessens the severity of the attack and has often cured in a day what would have been a bad cold. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain, druggist. Lost or Strayed. One sorrel horse 9 years old, 15 hands high, stocking footed; one black mare about five years old, 13 1/2 hands high. Will pay two and half dollars for delivery. M. BRONBERG, Crockett. Two heifers, 3 years old each, red, branded diamond, half circle over it, marked crop and underbit in the left ear and crop off right. Two dollars and a half reward for their return. J. W. Goodwin, Crockett, Texas. Notice in Administration. Whereas letters of administration upon the estate of John H. Stuart, deceased, were granted the undersigned by the Probate Court of Houston County on the 10 day of August, 1895, all persons holding claims against said estate are requested to present the same to me duly authenticated within the time prescribed by law. W. B. PAGE, Administrator estate of John H. Stuart, Crockett, Texas. A complete line of coffins and metallic caskets at The Furniture Store at moderate prices. Rev. W. C. Luther, of Houston, will preach at the Baptist church in this city next Sunday morning and night. The Furniture Store received a new line of parlor lounges this week which will be sold very low. In spite of the fact that we have just received a car load of furniture we have placed an order for another car of bedroom suites. If you want a beautiful set, call early and get the pick, for they won't be here long. We are determined to have your trade and if the largest assortment and lowest prices will secure it we will get it. Call and examine our mammoth stock and low prices. ALDRICH & DOREN. Notice of Dissolution of Partnership. The partnership heretofore existing between E. D. Hellrigle and J. G. Brown has this day been dissolved, E. D. Hellrigle having purchased J. G. Brown's entire interest. All persons indebted to the firm of Hellrigle & Brown must settle with E. D. Hellrigle at once. And all claims against said firm must be presented to E. D. Hellrigle. J. G. Brown will continue to manage the smith department in Hellrigle's employ.

Watch this space, S. H. OWENS, The Grocery Man. J. C. Wootters & Co., Dealer in General Merchandise, Dry Goods, Notions, Boots, Shoes, READY-MADE CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS, SADDLERY, HARNESS, STOVES, CROCKERY, All kinds of Agricultural Implements and Hardware. Also constantly on hand a large ASSORTMENT OF GROCERIES. CALL AND SEE US.

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E. A. NICHOLS, REAL ESTATE AND Property Exchange. Office in Racket Store, Crockett, Tex. If you have Real Estate or property of any description, no matter where located, to sell or exchange place it in my hands and I will find you a purchaser. If you want to buy property of any kind see or write me before buying. Property Rented, Rents Collected, Etc. THE SUN. The first of American Newspapers, CHARLES A. DANA, Editor. The American Constitution, the American Idea, the American Spirit. These first, last, and all the time forever. Daily, by mail - \$6 a year. Daily & Sunday, by mail, \$8 a year. February Institute. A Teachers' Institute is called to meet at the public school building in Crockett on the second Saturday in February when the following programme will be executed: The Teacher's Relation to the Commonwealth. Prof. W. H. Kolb. How to Teach Practical Problems in Multiplication and Division. Mrs. Spence, Prof. G. R. Sewell. The Future of Texas Schools. Miss Burnett, Prof. J. R. McPhail. Methods in History. Prof. Jacobs, Prof. L. J. Starling. The History of Education. Prof. Walker King, Miss Mary Denny. Question box. F. M. MARTIN, MISS MILLER, W. M. KOLB, Committee.

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Nerves

Depend upon the blood for sustenance. Therefore if the blood is impure they are imperfectly fed and nervous prostration results. To make pure blood, take

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The Catholic Opinion.

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THE DEVIL'S CURRENT.

A STORY ROMANTIC AND PROBABLY TRUE.

Where the Sultan Drowns His Victims in the Dark Waters of the Bosphorus—A Horrible Night of Murder of Men and Women.

LONG EUROPE'S most terrible stream, the Bosphorus, flowing dark, deep and swift from the Black Sea past the gilded minarets of Constantinople, there is one dread ribbon through its entire length known as the "Devil's Current," says the World. With inconceivable rapidity the water rushes madly down to the Mediterranean, leaving far behind, as a king of racers dashes his fleetest runners, the flying currents on either side. Reddened with tragedy, this ribbon of water has long been a dread and dreaded to the most dastardly, cowardly and always silent crimes of the world. It has been the pet of successive sultans, the shifty stage of Turkey's bloodiest dramas.

Cancer of the Breast.

Mr. A. H. Crausby, of 158 Kerr St., Memphis, Tenn., says that his wife paid no attention to a small lump which appeared in her breast, but it soon developed into a cancer of the worst type, and notwithstanding the treatment of the best physician, it continued to spread and grow rapidly, eating two inches in her breast. The doctors pronounced her incurable. A celebrated New York specialist then treated her, but she continued to grow worse and when informed that both her aunt and grandmother had died from cancer he gave her up as hopeless.

Someone then recommended S.S.S., and though little hope remained, she began it, and an improvement was noticed. The cancer commenced to heal and when she had taken several bottles it disappeared entirely, although several years have elapsed, not a sign of the cancer has ever returned.

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IN A SNAKE'S COIL.

Conflict of a Doctor with an Elusive Poison Master.

Two medical students, Fred Kern and Charles Ellsworth of this city, who spent their vacation in the vicinity of Unalutun, while near the tragic and fatal case of "The Snake" in the Allegheny mountains, about ten miles from Unalutun, met with an adventure that almost adds another horror to that place, says the Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Worried with their wanderings about the snake, Kern and Ellsworth, throwing themselves upon a mossy rock, were soon fast asleep. Mr. Ellsworth, who sat near by, was in a short time startled by a cry from his companion who was thrashing about on the ground. Kern saw a large black snake rapidly winding itself about the body of Mr. Kern. Mr. Kern, who was now on his knees, staggered to his feet, but the snake had succeeded in coiling itself two or three times around his body. Fastening his left arm in a helpless position, Mr. Ellsworth started forward to his assistance of his unfortunate companion but could do nothing. During the terrible encounter Mr. Kern never for a moment lost his presence of mind but made repeated efforts to seize the reptile by the neck, hoping thus to choke it to death. The snake, now tightening its coils every moment and thus resulting in the life of the young man, suddenly stopped, with its head in midair and its tongue darting rapidly backward and forward as its eyes fixed upon Mr. Ellsworth, gave the nerve to the doctor the opportunity he had hoped for. Kern now quickly and boldly seized the neck of the reptile with his free hand. Ellsworth, seeing that the strength of his companion was rapidly failing, rushed in and with a quick, rough, push, threw Kern, who was lying on the rock, but not before Ellsworth, with jackknives in hand, had also seized the snake by the neck. Pressing the neck of the monster firmly upon the rock with his hands, Kern started right, quickly severed the head from the body. The coils of the snake slowly loosened from the body of Kern, who was now unconscious. A little brandy, the golden minarets of the mosque of St. Sophia, visible far away on the Bosphorus, glitter at eventide from the rays of the setting sun.

Seraglio Point, on whose shores Horn and Bosphorus mingle their waters, is the point where the "Devil's Current," which at this point nears the land, as if by some dread design. In the dead of night, its waters lit only by the pale stars, time and again swift, long black calques have glided out with muffled oars pulled by black-garbed servants bent on their master's cruel bidding. Here crimes of a horror that is hard to picture have been perpetrated. Unwitnessed, a flash of light in the deep, dark waters, struggling, but voiceless, unwept, uncomplained and unwept, form after form has gone to death because of the caprice or hatred of the treacherous dark-eyed man in the palace on the heights.

More corpses of men and women this grim current has borne upon its breast than any other stream in all the regions of the globe. As a warty center of the faithful have thrown down to the women, valiant soldiers, ardent statesmen and youths whose only fault was that they loved their country too well. In the embrace of this cold current has been stifled forever a large number of Turkey's patriots, able and womanly loves.

Abdul Hamid, though he seems from his presence to be the most relentless of all the sultans, he has followed in the footsteps of the padshahs that have gone before him. These crimes have been going on silently, stealthily, fendishly for centuries. But Abdul Hamid, his hands already stained with the blood of Armenians and other lawless acts committed in his domain, put the final touch, which has aroused the whole civilized world, when by his express orders within the past month he deliberately drowned like dogs a score of brilliant and patriotic youths whose one aim was the betterment of their country, and who belonged to that fearless, thoughtful, earnest band, the young Turkish party.

A historic barber shop in St. Louis, which is soon to be dismantled, has long been famous in the West. Its original proprietors, who were notorious, established it in 1852, and it was run by luxuriously with mahogany chairs, marble tops imported from Italy and the finest of ornate paraphernalia. Dickens was saved there, and Grant, Gen. Pope, Benton, Douglas and other celebrities of the day patronized it. Grant indeed is said to have had his hair cut there oftener than any other customer. Perhaps his crowning glory was the patronage of the Prince of Wales, who, finding the Planter's house tube primeval, came to have in Clamorgan's Italian marble. Etiquette forbade him, however, to occupy one of the barber's chairs.

Wanted to Know. The superintendent of our Sabbath school was explaining this summer, the sailing of the walls of Jericho. He had told of the miraculous power displayed. How there was not a sound from the besieging army, or a hand raised in war, but silent marching, till the right moment arrived, when at a blowing of trumpets and a shouting the walls fell down flat.

One little fellow seemed puzzled about something and raised his hand. On being recognized by the superintendent he said: "Say, mister, is that a true story, or is it just preachin'?"—Ram's Horn.

A Child's Posture. A poor little dame had trouble with her mother not long ago. The direct consequence was that she was sent into her own room for meditation and, supposing, repentance. A letter happened to overbear the mother's defiance, when she thought herself unobserved and alone. She threw herself on her knees before her bed and, burying her face in the pillow, began a prayer for guidance. But the petition had this very significant commencement: "O Lord, consider how I am treated!"—New York Times.

An Old Account Book. Dr. Thomas Knowlton Marcy of Windsor, Conn., has found an account book which was kept by Colonel Thomas Knowlton, the revolutionary hero, whose statue was unveiled last week. It contains the notes of Colonel Knowlton's command at the battle of Bunker Hill and a list of the killed. Dr. Marcy will present the book to the Connecticut Historical society.

Tablet to Queen Mary. A memorial tablet to Mary, Queen of Scots, has just been placed in Peterborough, near the spot where she was buried after her execution. It was subscribed for by English women bearing the name of Mary.

Farming in London. Agricultural returns from the county of London have a queer sound. You of the 75,435 acres, on which its population of 4,232,118 lives, no fewer than 14,461 are cultivated, besides 957 used for grazing, making nearly one-fifth of the whole area used for farming purposes. Between 1893 and 1895 500 acres were lost to cultivation.

We have learned a great lesson when we have learned how to live in the present moment.

THE GREAT FRENCH PAINTER HAS LOST HIS LIFE.

The great French painter, Eugène Delacroix, who died recently, was pursued by a mysterious disaster through his youth in his efforts to study art, says an exchange. His mother worked in the field to keep their only boy at school. At 15 he went to Paris alone, started seven years, painted without success, but still painted. He had just finished a picture to send to the salon when Paris was besieged and he rushed with his comrades on the barricades. On the first day a shell fell into his studio and destroyed his picture and another shell fell at his feet, wounding him. He was carried home and lay ill and died for two years. Then he returned to Paris, and, reduced to absolute want, painted cheap fans in order to earn for himself a living. One day a manufacturer of some patent medicines ordered a picture from him and carried out in his studio. The manufacturer was delighted. "But first paint a rainbow arching over the fountain," he said, "with the name of my medicine upon it." Delacroix painted it. "Then I will not pay you for the picture," he said. "The price of the picture meant bread for months and the painter had long needed bread. The chance of admission to the salon was small. He hesitated. Then he silenced his hunger and carried out the picture. It was admitted. Its great success insured Lepage a place in public recognition and his later work a place among the greatest living artists.

The Irbit Fair. The Irbit fair, which is held at Irbit, in the province of Perm, between the 1st of February and the 1st of March, is not on the great trading route between Russia and Siberia, but it is a fair at Irbit that is supplied with manufactured goods for the year and to which Siberia sends a large portion of her furs, skins, fish, honey, wax, hemp, flax and other commodities. Here, too, is a great market for Chinese tea and silk and for many products of Central Asia. Most of the goods left unsold from the Nijni-Novgorod fair are sent on to Irbit and Siberian goods left unsold from the Irbit fair are in turn sent on to Nijni-Novgorod. For Russian goods the traders enjoy some special privileges for carriages from 1830 to 1850. The Irbit fair, which lasted a short time since one of the trains running between Broussa and Mandanti stopped on reaching an extensive vineyard; the conductor and engineer then went to cutting grapes, and the car after that, and departed only after a long altercation with the guard of the place. It is further said that at one time a train stopped to let a brakeman pick up a tobacco pouch; at another time, to let a passenger run back and recover his hat.

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